

Intimacy to Eminency in the Life of Jesus

Intimacy leads to Eminency. The intimacy of a father with family will cause him to work. Evidence incurs a hard labor to provide. The intimate heart to heart challenge by an athletic coach at half time can change the outcome of the game. The knight in shining armor will wage war against an overwhelming enemy for the intimacy of a princess. Intimacy can be the driving force behind the accomplishing the greatest of tasks. The church has been given the greatest of tasks world ^{address in churches} evangelism, holiness, pleasing God, and yet we are see short comings in meeting these demands. Why? Could it be that there is no intimacy? Christ, God of very God, thought it necessary to be intimate with his Father to complete the tasks set before him.

Every Christian can embark on the Eminence tasks of the Christian life by the application of the intimate scenes set forth in these verses

I. The Devotion of Jesus - It must have been one more of a night for Jesus. This past Sunday was a very active day, church, jail, meeting pens... I just collapsed into the bed. Here, Jesus laboring well into night

finally rests, but not for long.

A. The Sacrifice of the Morning - The phrase agrees with before... indicates that it was still in the night in the darkness of Peter's home, ... find Jesus putting on sandals and slipping out the door. Stealing away the moment to fellowship with Father. I remember the morning went to pick up Casey to propose that morning the anticipated the love. Morning time is best for work, the most restful sleep yet it is sacrificed to intimacy & Dealing with Father. PS63 early will I seek

B. The Solitude of the Moment - Solitary place, meaning a place alone, Jesus often did this, he went to the mountain to pray. In the garden to pray, taught of closet to pray. The place of intimacy with God is a place of solitude. Not many will go to sacrifice, few desistutions. When my wife stored our hearts is not when kids are when we unload burdens, Jesus threw in his intimacy w/Father.

C. The Supplication to the Almighty - Here we find God (omni every) partnering God. It's difficult to understand. Must remember that Christ was all main. In 5:19 The Son can do nothing of Himself. Humans plead for deity to work through him. This is an example of intimacy that is a necessity. Bonelby's Prayer will never do our work for us what I will do is strengthen us for ^{work which must be done}

II. The Disciples of Jesus - Peter awakens with the other disciples to find the guest gone! What a shock Messiah in your care & now gone. Searching for him? Was he angry, was he taken. Question going

Peter's Mind, But we see Peter doing what disciples do best follow.

A. Leading others by seeking Christ.

To began with I completely read over this verse but the more I read the more it spoke to my heart. Simon is mentioned first, in occupied a leadership role. Simon is seeking the Lord but in seeking he is also leading. I believe that the "they" with him were Andrew, James, John, What a pattern for our discipleship! Paul is taught follow me as I follow Christ & some one followed you would they encounter Christ? We are all to seek the Lord but some follow to Christ other lead to Christ. Seek ye all finding we will seek you all

B. Serving Others by finding Christ - When

I was at temple here was a young couple there that the husband came out of my SS class the wife was from Pleasant Valley BC. where Jr. Bryson was pastor for so many years. I had met Bro. Jr but didn't know very well. I asked her about Him. She said, "Well tell you this if there was ever a time I needed to get a hold of God, I would call him to pray." V537 The found Christ. They got through, "Call men seek for thee" Peters and others served the multitudes (Grew to a mile each)

by finding Christ! Maye Jacke "Sanctify touch Head."

III. The Determiner of Jesus - Jesus is always full of surprises. He so oft says the unexpected. There are some things that Jesus determined when encountering

This discourses a bit of a crossroads

A. He Determined the People - vs 38

There is this huge crowd of people there with what seem to be needs, interest, curiously an opportune moment to present his message. And yet let us move on. I believe he determined the hearts of people were that of interest in Sensationalism. See something grand. Jesus came not to be a local celebrity, sideshow. He came to proclaim the gospel. The good news. The light given here was enough. There are scores of other towns + villages that lay in darkness! You can't see into peoples hearts. But it is easy to get comfortable and not push exert for God.

B. He Determined the Progress - Let's go on!

"Let us!" These sensations seekers wanted to see and be amazed but leave home to follow Christ? No. Thank God there were a band full of disciples that set out to follow Jesus. To follow the determined progress of Jesus. To go to some uncomfortable places and see some uncomfortable things. I love the couplet of 36 + 39. He said + did. This is why Jesus came to seek + save the lost to say + to do. Would we realize why we are here. To bring glory to God in flesh.

IV Closing - Does closeness with God seem to be an impossible task, does personal holiness seem like an uncrossable ocean? Intimacy with Christ is the key to achieving the impossible tasks of Christian life.